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SUBJECT: GARRISON DIVERSION

1. SUMMARY: PRESSURE CONTINUES IN HOUSE OF COMMONS FOR US REPLY
ON GARRISON DIVERSION. END SUMMARY.

2. FOLLOWING EXCHANGE TOOK PLACE IN HOUSE OF COMMONS DEC 14
ON GARRISON DIVERSION:

3. BEGIN TEXT: HON. W. G. DINSDALE (BRANDON-SOURIS): MR. SPEAKER,
MY QUESTION IS FOR THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS.
HAS THE HON. GENTLEMAN RECEIVED A REPLY FROM THE UNITED STATES
GOVERNMENT TO HIS NOTE REQUESTING A MORATORIUM ON THE CONSTRUCTION
OF THE LONETREE DIVERSION IN CONNECTION WITH THE GARRISON DAM
PROJECT, AND IF SO, WILL HE TABLE THAT REPLY, AS HE DID HIS OWN
MEMORANDUM?

4. HON. DONALD C. JAMIESON (SECRETARY OF STATE FOR EXTERNAL
AFFAIRS): NO, MR. SPEAKER. TO THIS MOMENT THERE HAS BEEN NO
OFFICIAL REPLY FROM THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO THE NOTE
WHICH I TABLED IN THE HOUSE. I HAVE NO WAY OF KNOWING THE
REASON FOR THE DELAY. I HAVE ASKED THAT INQUIRIES BE MADE.
I SUSPECT THE DELAY MAY BE TO SOME DEGREE INVOLVED WITH THE
TRANSITION WHICH IS TAKING PLACE THERE WITH REGARD TO THE NEW
ADMINISTRATION.

5. AS FOR TABLING THE NOTE, I SEE NOTHING WRONG WITH THAT IN
PRINCIPLE, AND WHEN IT ARRIVES, I WILL BE GLAD TO CONSIDER IT.

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6. MR. DINSDALE: IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THE LONETREE

DIVERSION CONSTRUCTION IS PROCEEDING AND THE PASSAGE OF TIME
MAKES THE MATTER INCREASINGLY URGENT, COULD THE HON. GENTLEMAN
MAKE FURTHER INQUIRIES TO SEE IF WE COULD AT LEAST GET AN
INTERIM RESPONSE?

7. MR. JAMIESON: AS I INDICATED A MOMENT AGO, I HAVE
ALREADY DONE THAT, AND I WILL LET THE HOUSE AND THE HON. MEMBER
KNOW WHEN I GET A REPORT FROM WASHINGTON. END TEXT.

8. COMMENT: EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS THAT DRAFT NOTE IS CIRCULATING.
IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF EMBASSY COULD SEE DRAFT PRIOR TO
FINAL APPROVAL.
ENDERS

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